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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

**WILLIAM SUTTLE PETERS et al.**

**Serial No.:** 09/869,923

**Filed:** October 15, 2001

**For:** Heart Assist Devices, Systems and  
Methods

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) **Group Art Unit:** 3762

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) **Examiner:** Scott M. Getzow

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 5, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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